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Mansfield Board of Education June 10,2021 DRAFT Minutes

Attendees: Kathy Ward, Chair, Susannah Everett, Vice-Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, Rebecca Aubrey, David

Litrico, Katherine Paulhus, Elizabeth Verge, Kelly Zimmermann

Absent: Edith Allison

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Ms. Ward

Ms. Ward read the following statement: In accordance with Governor Lamont's Executive Order 7B and social distancing guidelines recommended by the CDC to slow community spread of COVID-19, this meeting is physically closed to the public. The public may view the meeting live at https://mansfieldct.gov/video or on Charter Spectrum Cable Channel 191 (the website is recommended as it is a higher image clarity).

Public Comment will be accepted by email at mboesupt@Mansfieldct.org or by USPS mail and must be received prior to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Ms. Aubrey, seconded by Ms. Zimmermann to approve the minutes of May 13, 2021. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion by Mr. Litrico, seconded by Mrs. Paulhus, to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2021 special meeting. Vote: unanimous in favor.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

The following award presented to Mansfield Middle School Eighth Graders CABE Award

Bailey Fuerst Benjamin Legassy

The following retirees were acknowledged:

Recognition of Retirees:

Ivy Pomeroy Mansfield Middle School Paraeducator

Christine Hazen Goodwin School Teacher
Cheryl Hathway Southeast School Teacher
Mary deVecchis Southeast School Teacher

Maureen Gagne
Carol Lagrotteria
Norma LoMonaco
Mickey Maheu
James Jenks
Michelle Barnett
Judy Parenteau
Southeast School Paraeducator
Southeast School Paraeducator
Southeast School Custodian
Vinton School Paraeducator
Vinton School Paraeducator

Barbara Vaughan Mansfield Public Schools Suzuki Teacher

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Mansfield Human Services asking for support to The Mansfield Farms to Family Fund

BOARD REPORTS: Eastconn Report: Mrs. Paulhus reported good things are happening there.

INFORMATION, PRESENTATIONS, AND ACTIONS:

- Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Lyman reported on end of year events. Outdoor concerts in beginning instruments and strings were held at Middle School. She reported the number of students opting into Remote Continues to Decline
- Summer Programs: Mrs. Lyman reported elementary Summer School is offered to students with Individualized Educational Plans and students receiving academic support. Mrs. Morell reported on MMS Learning Pathways Summer Program, integrating math and literacy skills through engaging STEAM learning experiences. A four week program, 2 Pathway Project Experiences per day will be offered. The SOAR reading program will also continue to encourage middle school students to read.
- ARP ESSER Grant Update and Continuity of Learning Plan: Mrs. Lyman reported the ESSER-II Grant
 Application was approved. It supports both 20-21 and 21-22 budgets. The ARP ESSER application requires a
 Continuity of Learning Plan which defines health and safety strategies and continuity of services. It also requires
 a period of Public Comment prior to June 23rd publication on website. The grant application is due August 16th.
- Enrollment Report, Forecast for 2021-22: Mrs. Lyman reported on class size and staffing. Due to larger enrollment in kindergarten, there will be a need to add one teacher at Vinton.
- MMS Roof Update: Mr. Litrico reported there is a concern about receiving materials in time.
- Elementary School Update. Ms. Ward reported the fencing is going up and a ground breaking will be held on June 24 at 3:30pm.

NEW BUSINESS: None

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Mr. Litrico, seconded by Ms. Everett that the following items for the Board of Education June 10, 2021 meeting be approved:

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the retirement of Cheryl Hathway, teacher at Southeast School effective June 30, 2021.

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Jocelyn Dunnack, teacher at Mansfield Middle School effective June 30, 2021.

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Robin Blomstrann, teacher at Mansfield Middle School effective June 30, 2021.

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education approve the request from Julie Charry for unpaid Childrearing leave from the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year through January 24, 2022.

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the retirement of Christine Hazen, teacher at Goodwin School effective June 30, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Ms. Everett to move into Executive Session to discuss Superintendent's evaluation and non-union wages and salaries. VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

Board returned to regular session at 9:06pm.

Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Ms. Aubrey to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation of singleton and superintendent salaries for 2021-2022. The salary scale of the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent will remain as is. All other singletons (4 Information Technology Staff, 1 food service director and 1 human resources specialist) a 2.5% increase. A \$2,500, one time market adjustment will be applied to the salary of the human resource specialist. Insurance cost sharing for singletons is 13%. The Superintendent was awarded a 3.0% salary increase with a 15% insurance cost sharing. VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Ms. Aubrey to extend Superintendent Kelly Lyman's contract for one year (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024). VOTE: Unanimous in favor

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Litrico, seconded by Mrs. Paulhus to adjourn at 9:10pm. Vote: Unanimous in favor.